



Sign Up, Clean Up!

When you join MoDOT’s Adopt-A-Highway program, you become a vital part of an important public/private partnership that’s dedicated to keeping Missouri’s roadsides clean and attractive. No special skills or experience are required – just a commitment to the community and concern for the environment.

Pick Up a Mile At a Time

MoDOT spends a lot of time and money maintaining more than 385,000 acres of right of way along 32,000 miles of highway. For every roadside mile that’s mowed, landscaped or kept litter-free by adopters, MoDOT can devote more resources to other critical areas.

Since the Adopt-A-Highway program began in 1987, more than 8,000 groups have volunteered to adopt, including commercial and private enterprises, civic and non-profit organizations, families and individuals. But we still have plenty of room for you!

Adoption Options

As an Adopt-A-Highway volunteer, you can pick up litter, mow or beautify a roadside, or any combination of these activities.

- **Litter Cleanup** - MoDOT spends about \$6 million annually to remove litter, but still can’t clean it all. Adopters who pick up litter help out by saving taxpayers about \$1.5 million a year.
- **Mowing** - MoDOT spends approximately \$23 million annually to mow the grass on highway roadsides. With more than

- 32,000 miles of state highways, MoDOT values adopters’ mowing activities.
- **Beautification** - MoDOT works with and encourages adopters to landscape and beautify roadsides, and suggests planting shrubs, trees and flowers to complement the surroundings.

Our Commitment

As the Adopt-A-Highway program coordinator, MoDOT will...

- put up signs with your group’s name at each end of your adopted roadway.
- award your group with a certificate of appreciation.
- provide safety training and video, safety vests, caution flags, trash bags and rules.
- pick up the bags of litter you collect.

As an Adopter, You Will ...

- adopt at least a half-mile of urban roadside or a two-mile rural stretch.
- collect litter at least twice every six months (more often in certain areas).



- mow and/or maintain landscaping as needed (if applicable).
- sign a three-year agreement, which you or MoDOT may cancel.
- notify MoDOT before and after each litter cleanup.
- participate in MoDOT’s safety training and follow all safety procedures. We suggest you take a certified first-aid class.

Adopt a mile or more of Missouri! Join the Adopt-A-Highway program now. Just call 1-888-ASK-MODOT (275-6636) and ask for the AAH coordinator in your area, or visit MoDOT’s website at www.modot.state.mo.us. Thank you!

Pick Up For Fitness

Besides helping to keep Missouri clean, being an adopter is a great way to keep fit! Endorsed by the Governor’s Council on Physical Fitness, the AAH “Pick Up For Fitness” program features 10 easy, calorie-burning exercises almost everyone does while picking up trash, including the Styrofoam Squat, the Can Crunch and the Litter Lunge. They’re pictured on a poster MoDOT will provide.

Cleanup/Pickup Activity	Calories Burned*
Planting trees and flowers	280
Collecting recyclable items	374
Picking up trash	296
Painting over graffiti	296
Cleaning a dumpsite	290

*per hour/130-lb. person

(adapted from SHAPE Magazine, April 2001)

YES! I want to adopt a mile or more of Missouri. Sign me/us up for the Adopt-A-Highway program.

Name(s)

Organization

Daytime phone

Evening phone

Street address

City

County

State Zip

The golden flower on the Adopt-A-Highway sign is the yellow coreopsis, a native Missouri wildflower that grows in prairies and glades and along roadsides in the spring and summer.



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Southwest District

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Joplin, MO 64802
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North Central District

902 N. Missouri Street
Macon, MO 63552
(660) 385-3176

Springfield Area District

3025 East Kearney Street
Springfield, MO 65801
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Northeast District

1711 South Highway 61
Hannibal, MO 63401
(573) 248-2490

South Central District

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Willow Springs, MO 65793
(417) 469-3134

Kansas City Area District

600 NE Colbern Road
Lee's Summit, MO 64064
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Southeast District

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Sikeston, MO 63801
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Central District

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Jefferson City, MO 65102
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General Headquarters

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Jefferson City, MO 65102
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1590 Woodlake Drive
Chesterfield, MO 63017
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